

began his service in the medical field as an Army medic during World War II. After leaving the Army, he studied at the University of West Virginia, the University of Florida, and then received his doctor of medicine degree from the Medical College of Virginia.

He served his patients with compassion and care in the Tampa Bay area as an internist at Mease Hospital, and after just 8 years he was elected to lead the medical staff.

Dr. Hale was a proactive practitioner, realizing and emphasizing the importance of preventative health care in the community. After retiring from active practice, Dr. Hale founded the Dunedin Hypertension Screening Program in 1975 to screen elderly patients for medical disorders. His program garnered attention from his colleagues throughout the world and took root on a state level as the Florida Geriatric Research Program.

Dr. Hale was much more than just an excellent and innovative physician. Those who know him point to his caring nature. He was quick to help those who needed it the most, be it handicapped children, someone undergoing a difficult time in life, or arming the public with information on how to be healthier. He saw the needs of others and selflessly gave of himself so that they could live better.

Mr. Speaker, the Tampa Bay area was so blessed to have Dr. Hale's talent and graces. May his spirit always live on in the hearts of those he touched.

CONGRATULATING THE SHELTON VIKINGS MIDGET AND PEE WEE CHEERLEADERS ON THEIR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to the Shelton Vikings Midget and Pee Wee Cheerleading squads who captured the National Championship titles in their divisions at the Pop Warner National Competition which was held last month in Buena Vista, Florida. This is a remarkable accomplishment for these young girls and we could not be more proud of them!

The Viking Midget Cheerleading squad is a group of thirteen and fourteen year old girls who have been cheering together since age seven. The Pee Wee team is made up of ten to twelve year old girls. During this past season, each of these squads have won the titles of Southern Connecticut Champions, Connecticut State Champions, New England Qualifier Champions and New England Regional Champions. In their first ever trip to the National Championships, the Midget Cheerleading squad competed against nineteen other squads from across the country to take home the title and the Pee Wee squad competed against eight other teams to do the same. These are the first ever National titles for Shelton and, for the Midget squad, it is even more meaningful because it was the last year that they will be eligible to compete in the Pop Warner Cheerleading league.

These girls are an extraordinarily talented group who have dedicated countless hours to practice and competition. Cheerleading, like so

many other sports, requires perseverance, training, coordination, and above all teamwork—all skills that will continue to serve these young women well throughout their lives. Their success at the National Championships is a testament to all of their hard work.

I would also like to take a moment to extend a special note of thanks and appreciation to the coaches, parents, and volunteers whose support has enabled the girls to practice and travel for their competitions. Without their efforts, the success of the Vikings Cheerleaders would not be possible.

I am thrilled to join the Shelton community in extending my sincere congratulations and very best wishes to the Shelton Vikings Midget and Pee Wee Cheerleaders—2010 Pop Warner National Champions. You have made us all proud!

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES SUMNER, BORN JANUARY 6, 1811

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Charles Sumner and I join with many of my constituents in celebrating the bicentennial of his birth, January 6, 2011. Commemorations are sponsored by the Longfellow House-Washington's Headquarters National Site, the Boston African American National Historic Site, the Museum of African American History, the Massachusetts Historical Society, and other learned societies and civic groups.

Charles Sumner was born in Boston and educated at Boston Latin School, Harvard College and Harvard Law School. Like many educated Bostonians of his time, he was interested in events in Europe, where he travelled extensively between 1837 and 1840. Later, he and his friend Henry Wadsworth Longfellow would compare slaveholders in the American south to aristocrats whose privileges were swept away by revolution on the continent. Sumner returned to help found the Free Soil Party but he did not succeed in election to this House in 1848. He was elected to the Senate two years later on the Free Soil Ticket. In 1856, Sumner, who refused to compromise on the issue of slavery, was savagely beaten on the floor of the Senate. Interests might be conciliated but about rights he was adamant. Massachusetts re-elected him, as a Republican, while his recovery was still in doubt, so that his empty seat would serve as a reproach to slaveholders. He returned to serve until his death in 1874.

I am grateful to John Stauffer, chair of the History of American Civilization and professor of English and African and African American Studies at Harvard University, for suggesting Ralph Waldo Emerson's tribute: Sumner's moral instinct and character are so exceptionally pure that he must have perpetual magnetism for honest men; his ability and working energy such, that every good friend of the Republic must stand by him.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, on January 18, 2011, I missed rollcall vote 12. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" or "aye."

TRIBUTE TO ARIEL B. WALDMAN

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, for myself and Mr. GOODLATTE, as the Chair and Ranking Member respectively of the Committee on the Judiciary's Task Force on Judicial Impeachment in the previous Congress, we would like to take this opportunity to recognize Arid B. Waldman who recently left the House to take a position with the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia. Mr. Waldman served in the Office of the General Counsel for 18 months as an Assistant Counsel. We will miss him.

Mr. Waldman provided important legal advice and representation to the Committee and Task Force, particularly in connection with federal court litigation that arose out of an impeachment investigation and proceeding involving a federal judge from Louisiana. We and our respective staffs relied on his expertise and judgment to prepare legal pleadings and briefs, which ably and effectively defended the Task Force's ability to conduct its inquiry, and which resulted in rulings favorable to the Committee and Task Force in each instance.

Mr. Waldman served the House with distinction, and we know he will serve the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia with that same level of distinction. We thank him for his service to the House and extend to him our very best wishes for his continued success.

STOP THE OVERPRINTING (STOP) ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a few minutes today to discuss the continued need in Congress for reduced administrative spending and increased accountability to the American people.

In a time when we are keenly aware of the need for civility and cooperation in order to improve the American quality of life, I believe there is at least one thing both Democrats and Republicans can agree on and which should be the springboard towards meaningful change.

This belief is that the federal government has an obligation to the American people to be stewards of their hard-earned taxpayer dollars by operating in an efficient manner and to reduce spending whenever possible.